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SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT DAILY BRIEFING, SEPTEMBER 2, 1975

FOR AMB. ANDERSON FROM S/PRS (FUNSETH); NO. 49

1. AT SEPTEMBER 2 BRIEFING ACTING SPOKESMAN FUNSETH

ANNOUNCED: ANGOLA AIRLIFT TO BEGIN IN 72 HOURS USING M.A.C.
CHARTERED CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT; AND SECRETARY'S OTTAWA TRIP
ON OCTOBER 14-15.

2. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF FUNSETH'S RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS
AT BRIEFING:

(A) ANGOLA AIRLIFT: AIRLIFT WILL BE CARRIED OUT UNDER
SUPERVISION AND DIRECTION OF MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND (MAC).
INDICATIONS FROM LISBON ARE PORTUGUESE HOPE TO COMPLETE
AIRLIFT BEFORE INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA.

ON BACKGROUND: LAST PORTUGUESE ESTIMATE WAS 270,000; THIS
INCLUDES ALL RACES. END BACKGROUND.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT BRITISH AND FRENCH EACH PROVIDING ONE
AIRCRAFT; PORTUGUESE FON. MIN. ASKED GDR AND USSR TO HELP
AND THEY MAY CONTRIBUTE AIRCRAFT; SWEDEN HAS PLEDGED
1.15 MILLION DOLLARS AID.
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U.S. PART OF AIRLIFT WILL COST AT LEAST 5 MILLION DOLLARS.

AIRFIELD SECURITY IS RESPONSIBILITY OF PORTUGUESE
GOVERNMENT.

(B) SECRETARY'S TRAVEL PLANS: ON BACKGROUND, HE SHOULD ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON WEDNESDAY EVENING. FOR GUIDANCE PRESENT ETA AROUND TEN OR ELEVEN WEDNESDAY NIGHT. ALSO FOR GUIDANCE, SECRETARY HOPES TO GO TO SPECIAL SESSION UNGA FRIDAY.

(C) REPORTING TO PRESIDENT AND CONSULTATIONS WITH CONGRESS ON MIDDLE EAST PACKAGE: ON BACKGROUND: SECRETARY WILL BE REPORTING TO THE PRESIDENT SOON AFTER HIS RETURN. BIPARTISAN LEADERSHIP MEETING AT THE WHITE HOUSE THURSDAY MORNING AT EIGHT O'CLOCK. PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION WITH THE CONGRESS BEGAN YESTERDAY (MONDAY) BY THE WHITE HOUSE. FULLER CONSULTATION WILL AWAIT THE RETURN OF THE SECRETARY. WE NOW ARE IN TOUCH WITH SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS AND HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEES TO SCHEDULE TIME FOR SECRETARY TO TESTIFY. END BACKGROUND.

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